Paper No. 15

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OFFICE OF PETITIONS

In re Application of	:	
Gorman, et al.	:	
Application No. 09/681,655	:	ON PETITION
Filed: December 16, 2001	:	
Attorney Docket No. 264/243	:	

This is a decision on the paper titled "Petition to Revive", filed March 1, 2004, which is being treated as a petition under 37 CFR 1.181 to withdraw the holding of abandonment of the above identified application.
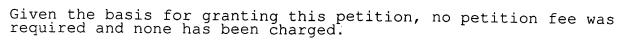
The petition is **GRANTED**.

This application was held abandoned for failure to timely reply to the Office action mailed May 7, 2003. This Office action set a shortened statutory period for reply of one month. On July 7, 2003, applicant obtained a one month extension of time. No further reply having been received, the above identified application became abandoned on July 8, 2003. A Notice of Abandonment was mailed on December 30, 2003.

Petitioner contends that he did timely file a reply to the May 7, 2003 Office action. In support, petitioner has included a copy of a properly itemized postcard receipt, showing that an "Amendment w/Substitute Specification; Redline Version and 7 Sheets of Formal Drawings" were filed on July 7, 2003.

A postcard receipt which itemizes and properly identifies the items which are being filed serves as *prima facie* evidence of receipt in the Office of all items listed thereon on the date stamped thereon by the Office. See MPEP 503.

In view thereof, **THE HOLDING OF ABANDONMENT IS WITHDRAWN.**

Given the basis for granting this petition, no petition fee was required and none has been charged.

The application file is being forwarded to Technology Center 2600, Group Art Unit 2623, for consideration of the Amendment filed July 7, 2003 (copy supplied on petition filed March 1, 2004).

Telephone inquiries regarding this decision should be directed to the undersigned at (703) 305-0272.

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